



Dear Art for Awareness Participant,

You are invited to be part of our 5th Annual Art for Awareness Event in Nashville!

Consumer artists from across Tennessee are invited to bring an artwork to Nashville on Monday, May 3, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. CST to display in the Legislative Plaza and the State Capitol. Artwork will be placed either in your Legislator's office or in the busy Legislative Plaza hallway. This event provides a great opportunity to share your artwork and your story with our state leaders and the public.

Registration: The registration form is due by Friday, April 16, 2010 and can be faxed to 615-741-4557. The form is also available online [click here](#), and by contacting Lorene Lambert at 615-253-4812 or by email to Lorene.lambert@tn.gov. Everyone who plans to come needs to send in a completed registration form before the event so preparations can be made. You may bring family or friends with you, but we will need to register these also, so let us know on the registration form.

Schedule: Please eat lunch before coming to the event in Legislative Plaza (room to be announced). Allow time to park, pass through the Security entrance, register, and reach our meeting room by 1 p.m. Registration begins at 12:45. We will adjourn and you will be on your way home around 3:00 p.m. Artists are asked to pick up art no later than Monday, June 7, 2010 from your Legislator. The art in the Legislative Plaza hallway will remain through June and you will be contacted about picking it up. Selections of art to hang for one year at the TDMHDD Conference Room/Art Gallery in the Cordell Hull Building will be made after the event and you will be contacted if your work is selected.

Parking: Bagged meters will be located on 7th Avenue North between Charlotte and Union on May 3. All meters reserved for Art for Awareness Participants are marked *Mental Health Day*. If you use a bagged meter, please print a copy of this email to place on your dash authorizing you to park there. The closest public parking garage is the one under the Library between Church Street and Commerce. If you have a handicapped placard or plate, you can park there for free by showing your driver's license and registration papers for either and by writing your expiration date, number and name and phone number on the parking ticket and handing it to the attendant when you leave. Otherwise, the charge is \$8 to park as of May 1, which is the most reasonable garage fee in the area. From the library garage, you can walk or wheel through the library up to the Legislative Plaza. Handicapped parking slots are located on an upper floor above the escalator levels so that you can enter the first floor of the library and go up the sidewalk along Capitol Blvd.

A second garage is located at the corner of Fifth and Charlotte. The cost is \$10.00, payable to an automated machine on the third floor of the Music City Central Bus Station with cash, credit or debit cards. The entrance is on Charlotte Avenue. This garage does not give free parking for handicapped identification.

Program: We will gather in our Legislative Plaza meeting room and greet one another, then go to the Capitol for a group photo with Governor Bredesen. Everyone will deliver their art to a designated place, either to their Legislator or to Legislative Plaza hallway. Each work will be seen and appreciated. We will return to our meeting room for a Forum and entertainment, and finish with a reception in the Legislative Cafeteria sponsored by the Mental Health Cooperative where there will be snacks for all.

Your presence makes this a successful day, so please register and plan to come join us on Monday, May 3! If you need more information, please contact Lorene Lambert at 615-253-4812 or by email at Lorene.Lambert@tn.gov.

[Click Here for the Registration Form](#)

2009 Art for Awareness Participants With Governor Phil Bredesen



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